I support the FISTS petition 100%. This is a reasonable approach, in my opinion, and is in the best interest of the future of Amateur Radio.

I use the latest digital modes at times, too, but there will always be a place for Morse in communications when the chips are really down...

AND just for casual fun. Morse code really IS easy to learn...a minimal effort is required for almost anybody who is really interested.

If the people whining about this easy requirement would spend only half of that time LEARNING Morse Code, they could easily become super proficient CW operators...and be greatly surprised at what a truely wonderful mode it STILL IS...even though we have more "modern" modes that we only need to punch keys on our keyboards to "learn".